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 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

BY: 

Magistrate's Docket No.

Case No.

00 mg 2775

BRAUN, Conrad J.

(Name of accused)

, now presented before

The Honorable John A. Houston

, United States Magistrate Judge, for

arraignment and fixing of bail, has been charged before a United States Magistrate Judge

in the Western District of Missouri that onor about 09/19/00, at Kansas City, MO in

(Date of Offense)

violation of United States Code, Title 18, Section 3606, the accusedviolated the conditions of his supervised release.

(Brief Statement of Offense Charged)

and a warrant for his/her arrest was issued the same day by the aforesaid magistrate.

Bond in the sum of NONE SET has been recommended by the United

States Attorney of the district in which charges are pending.

Dated: September 21, 00

Steve Rancone

Name of Affiant

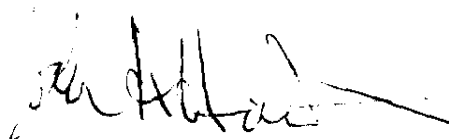
Deputy U.S. Marshal

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filed at September 2000 in front of

certified copies of complaint against the accused



MAGISTRATE INFORMATION SHEET

1. Dis. Auth. _____ 1A. USAO# _____ Ct.# _____ Agency # _____
 2. Hg. Date _____ 3. AUSA _____ 4. Mag. _____
 5A. Mat. Wit. _____ Cust: NO Arraign M/W Release M/W Other _____
 5B. Eye Wit. _____ 5C. Victims _____ (no.)
 Def. # _____ of _____ s. Def Name: **BRAUN, Conrad J** Soc. Sec. # **513-52-2107** Alias: **Braun, Conrad Jules**
 Birth Date **06/29/49** Address **8417 Broadway, #112, SD, CA** 7. Flip? Yes No
 Charges **18 USC 3606** 8. Arrest Date **09/21/00**
 Penalties **Supervised Release Violat.** Place of Arrest **09/21/00**
 Agents **Steve Rancone** Phone#: **557-6620** Date Committed: **09/21/00**
 Agency **U.S. Marshals Service** Program Category: _____
 9. Custody? Yes No 10. Citizenship? U.S. Mex. Other _____
 11. INS Status: Res Bcc Illegal Other _____
 Prior Deports: _____ Prior VR's _____
 Prior Record: _____
 Drug Usage: _____ How Evidenced? _____
 Cash on Def. \$ _____ Other Evidence _____
 Agents Fact Summary: **Arrested by DUSM Steve Rancone.**

Agents Info (Employment, Family, Etc.) _____
 Vehicle Seized (Describe) _____ Mat/Wit Atty: _____
 12. Def. Atty: Apptd Retain 13. Def. Atty. Name _____
 14. Plea: Guilty Count _____ NG Nolo 15. RCD? Yes No 16. Sent. _____
 Con't Sent _____ 16A. S.A. \$ _____ 17. Dism? Ct. Govt.
 18. Next Court for _____ 19. Date _____ 20. Time _____ and for _____ on _____ at _____
 21. Bond Set _____ Conditions _____
 22. Pers. Info _____
 23. Senten. Guidelines _____
 24. Potential Forfeitures _____

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for


2000 SEP 19 AM 9:32

Western District of Missouri

U.S.A. vs Conrad Jules Braun

Docket No.93-00133-01-CR-W-9-5

TO: any United States Marshal, or his deputies, or any other authorized law enforcement officer

WARRANT FOR ARREST OF SUPERVISED RELEASEE			
You are hereby commanded to arrest the within-named and bring him or her, forthwith, before the United States District Court to answer charges that he or she violated the conditions of his or her supervised release imposed by the court.			
NAME OF SUPERVISED RELEASEE Conrad Jules Braun	SEX Male	RACE White	AGE 51
ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE) Broadway Manor 8417 Broadway, No. 112 San Diego, California 91945			
IMPOSED BY (NAME OF COURT) Western District of Missouri, Kansas City		DATE IMPOSED November 15, 1994	
TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE (NAME OF COURT, CITY, STATE) U.S. District Court Western District of Missouri Kansas City, Missouri			
CLERK PATRICIA L. BRUNE	(BY) DEPUTY CLERK 	DATE 9-19-00	

RETURN		
Warrant received and executed.	DATE RECEIVED	DATE EXECUTED
EXECUTING AGENCY (NAME AND ADDRESS)		
NAME	(BY)	DATE

Insert designation of office to whom the warrant is issued, e.g., "any United States Marshal or any other authorized officer;" or "United States Marshal for _____ District of _____;" or "any United States Marshal;" or "any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;" or "any United States Marshal or any special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;" or "any agent of the Alcohol Tax Unit."

PERSONAL HISTORY OF ABSCONDER

To: U.S. Marshal, Warrant Supervisor

TYPE OF WARRANT: ☒ PROBATION SEP 18 11:4

FROM: Larry T. Revella

Supervised Release ☒

OFFICE: Western District of Missouri

PHOTO Yes ☒
AVAILABLE

PHONE NO.: (816) 512-1305

DATE: 09/18/00

IN CUSTODY NOW: No ☒

WHERE: N/A

RE: Braun
(LAST)

Conrad
(FIRST)

J.
(MIDDLE)

☒ Male

RACE: White Non Hispanic

DATE OF BIRTH: 06/29/49

PLACE OF BIRTH: Kansas City, MO

HT: 6' 2"

WT: 190 lbs
lbs.

EYES: Blue

HAIR: Blond

*** (NOTE: This info required for NCIC)

COMPLEXION:

SCARS, TATTOOS, DEFORMITIES, OTHER ID
MARKS:
None known

FBI #: 791 521 KA9

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:
513-52-2107

LOCAL POLICE #: 7014045

DOCKET #: 93-00133-01-CR-W-9

DRUG USE: Yes ☒

ALIASES: None known

LAST KNOWN OR CURRENT ADDRESS: Broadway Manor, 8417 Broadway, No. 112, San Diego, CA 91945

LAST KNOWN OR CURRENT TELEPHONE NO.: Unknown

FORMER PHONE NOS.:

FORMER ADDRESSES:

DATE, PLACE, OFFENSE, AND AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR ARREST RESULTING IN SUPERVISION PLACEMENT:

09/08/93 KCMO Mail/wire fraud

DATE OF LAST KNOWN ARREST: 09/08/93

PLACE: Hutchinson, KS

NATURE OF ARREST: Instant offense

VIOLENT HISTORY (Type): Threats/battery - domestic

DATE OF LAST FACE-TO-FACE CONTACT WITH PROBATION OFFICER: 11/15/94

DOES SUBJECT KNOW WARRANT HAS BEEN ISSUED: No [X]

NEXT KNOWN COURT
APPEARANCE:

Date: N/A

Location:

Type:

KNOWN CO-DEFENDANTS AND ASSOCIATES AND AREAS SUBJECT MAY FREQUENT (names, aliases, addresses):

N/A

KNOWN FAMILY AND RELATIVES (name, relation address, phone no.)

Contact me for any questions concerning family.

OCCUPATION: Sales

DATE OF LAST EMPLOYMENT: Currently employed
Laptop Training Solutions

LAST EMPLOYER AND ADDRESS: Unknown

AUTOMOBILE, DESCRIBE: Unknown

AUTO LICENSE NO., IF KNOWN:

OTHER RELATIVE INFORMATION: Currently under courtesy supervision in the district of S/CA - San Diego
Contact USPO Andrew Lorenzen 619-557-7199 for more detailed information.

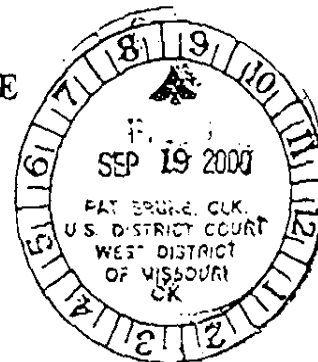
NAME AND TELEPHONE NO. OF PROBATION OFFICER: Larry T. Revella
512-1305

(816)

NAME OF CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER OR SUPERVISOR: Sharon K. Allmon, Supervising U.S. Probation
Officer

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
WESTERN DIVISION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Conrad Jules Braun,

Defendant.

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) Case No. 93-00133-01-CR-W-9-5
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ORDER FOR ISSUANCE OF WARRANT FOR ARREST

On November 15, 1994, Braun appeared for sentencing on 5 counts of wire fraud and ordered to serve 60 months custody with 3 years supervised release. Braun was also sentenced on 5 counts of interstate transfer of monies taken by fraud and ordered to serve 90 months custody with 3 years supervised release, all counts to run concurrent. Braun was released from the Federal Correctional Institution, Texarkana, Texas, on May 26, 2000

Thereafter, on September 18, 2000, the Probation Office for the Western District of Missouri transmitted a "violation report" recommending that a warrant for arrest be issued


For good cause appearing and on the recommendation of the Probation Office, it is ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall forthwith issue a warrant for arrest directed to any United States Marshal, or any other authorized officer, directing that Conrad Jules Braun be taken into custody and that he be brought before the nearest available United States Magistrate Judge to determine whether there is probable cause to believe that

Conrad Jules Braun has committed one or more acts constituting a violation of the Conditions of Supervised Release, thus requiring that he be held for a final revocation hearing before a Judge of this Court.


Nanette K. Laughrey
U.S. District Judge

Dated at Kansas City, Missouri, this 19th day of September, 2000.

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9-19-00
I HEREBY ATTEST AND CERTIFY ON
THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND
CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN MY OFFICE
AND IN THE LOCAL COURT
P. L. DOWD
CLERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
BY  DEPUTY

MEMORANDUM

USMS

2000 SEP 19 AM 9:32

Re: BRAUN, Conrad Jules

Case No. 93-00133-01-CR-W-9-5

Violation Report - Warrant Recommended

September 18, 2000

TO THE HONORABLE NANETTE K. LAUGHREY
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE:

Braun was sentenced by Judge Bartlett on November 15, 1994, to serve 60 months custody with 3 years supervised release to follow, for wire fraud (Counts 6-10) and 90 months custody with 3 years supervised release to follow, for interstate transfer of monies taken by fraud (Counts 11-15), all counts to run concurrent. Braun was also ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$1,966,694.19. Special conditions of release included mental health aftercare and to abide by any Court Order in any jurisdiction, including any Civil Court.

Details of the instant offense involved Braun as president and owner of Gold Standard Corporation, a company he founded in 1976. The business sold gold, silver, and platinum to individuals throughout the United States. In 1982, Braun started to divert some of the investors' money, which was supposed to be used to purchase precious metals, to invest in the commodities market.

From January, 1983, to January, 1993, Braun mailed literature to potential investors that contained false and misleading information. As a result of Braun's fraudulent investments of customers' funds in the commodities market, Gold Standard Corporation had obligations totaling \$1,966,694.19 to customers which were not covered by Gold Standards Corporation holdings.

Braun's adjustment to Bureau of Prisons custody, at best could be described as very poor. Because of this behavior, the Federal Correctional Institution at Texarkana, Texas, gave no consideration to transfer Braun to a halfway house. Braun wanted to return to the Kansas City, Missouri, area and reside with his father, who is in his mid-80's, but because of poor health, his father was unable to accommodate him.

Additionally, Braun's ex-wife and husband, Donna and Tucker Kirk, and two of his three adult sons reside in this area. Mrs. Kirk has a "Final Protection from Abuse Order" from Johnson County, Kansas, District Court Civil Court Department, Case No. 00CV1765. The Order is in effect until May 16, 2001. Since his divorce from Donna, Braun has threatened and filed many lawsuits against his ex-wife and her husband. Custody of the children was also a very contested issue.

Because of these problems, Braun's oldest son, Aaron, who lives in the San Diego, California, area, offered to "help" his father. Upon Braun's release from Bureau of Prisons custody on May 26, 2000, Aaron drove his father from the Federal Correctional Institution at Texarkana, Texas, to his residence in San Diego. Braun was going to live with his son until he found employment. The U.S. Probation Office in San Diego agreed to provide "courtesy supervision" pending a decision whether to accept supervision or not.

In a letter dated August 28, 2000 (attached), U.S. Probation Officer Andrew J. Lorenzen outlined Braun's attitude toward supervision. Mr. Lorenzen first met Braun on May 30, 2000. They reviewed the conditions and special conditions of supervised release. Braun was also informed of the travel restrictions placed against him. He was instructed to begin making \$50 monthly payments toward restitution and to have no contact with his ex-wife.

On June 12, 2000, Braun reported he no longer resided with his son and that he secured employment as a salesman for a computer company. His duties involve soliciting potential customers via the telephone and community contacts to purchase training courses offered by the company. Braun's income is derived solely on commission from these solicitations. Mr. Lorenzen reported having serious reservations about the employment.

Braun also informed Mr. Lorenzen that he would travel out of the district whenever he wanted, with or without his permission. He further stated, "I will travel to Kansas City anytime I want, and no court or probation officer will stop me from seeing my family."

Additionally, Braun was given a directive not to write to his ex-wife's residence. Braun indicated he would refuse this directive. Finally, Mr. Lorenzen reported that Braun made it clear that he was refusing to make \$50 per month restitution payments.

On September 11, 2000, I received a telephone call from Tucker Kirk. He received a letter from Braun dated September 8, 2000 (attached), in which he threatened Kirk with bodily harm if he has any personal contact "with a Braun family member."

On that same date, I spoke with Mr. Lorenzen and was informed that Braun reported that he traveled out of district with his son, to Sequoia National Park (Northern District of California) without permission. The travel occurred in September.

For these reasons, the Southern District of California is refusing to accept supervision in this case. It is obvious Braun does not believe he has to abide by the conditions of release. This behavior, along with the background of this case, can only lead to more serious trouble.

Therefore, it is respectfully recommended by the Probation Office that a warrant be issued in this case based upon the following violations:

Violation of Condition No. 1, which reads: "The defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer."

During September, 2000, Braun traveled from the Southern District of California to the Northern District of California (Sequoia National Park) without the permission of the Probation Office.

Violation of Condition No. 3, which reads in part: "...and follow the instructions of the Probation Officer."

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Assistant U.S. Attorney Linda Parker-Marshall has been advised of the above and agrees with the Probation Office's recommendation.

If Your Honor concurs, attached please find the necessary Order.

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Respectfully submitted,



Larry T. Revella
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LTR:clg
Attachments

cc: Linda Parker-Marshall, Assistant U. S. Attorney

Approved: , Supervisor

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REPORT OF THE SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE SAN DIEGO OFFICE OF THE SAN DIEGO DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DURING THE YEAR 1900.

1. A diagram of a typical "back door" connection between a computer and a telephone line. The diagram shows a computer connected to a telephone line via a modem. The telephone line is connected to a telephone exchange, which is connected to a telephone. The diagram is labeled "Back door connection" and "Telephone line".

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